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Sir:

In response to the Official Action of April 19, 2007, in which a three-month shortened statutory period for response was set to expire on July 19, 2007, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding rejection, in view of the herein-contained amendments and remarks. If any extension of time is necessary, this is an express request for any necessary extension of time and authorization to charge any required extension of time fee or any other fees which may be required to preserve the pendency of the present application to Deposit Account No. 19-0089.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begin on page 2 of this document.

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